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**Advisory Action**

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Mark A Mais

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THE REPLY FILED 29 November 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

**PERIOD FOR REPLY** [check either a) or b)]

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on \_\_\_\_\_. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
  - (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
  - (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
  - (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: \_\_\_\_\_

3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_\_\_\_\_.
4. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☒ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☒ will not be entered or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: N/A.Claim(s) objected to: N/A.Claim(s) rejected: 1-30.Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: N/A.

8. ☐ The drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☒ Other: Response to After-Final Amendment

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to After-Final Amendment***

1. The amendment of November 29, 2004, is not entered. Claims 1-30 are rejected for the same reasons discussed in the Final Office Action, dated August 25, 2004. For purposes of Appeal, claims 1-30 are pending in this application.

2. The proposed amendment does not place the application in condition for allowance. Specifically, the amendment presents an auto attendant running on a second or centralized telecommunications system, wherein (1) the first telecommunications system and (2) the second/centralized communications system each perform specific processes. The currently pending claims in this application do not claim such a limitation, and thus, the addition of this limitation raises new issues that would require a new search.

### ***Conclusion***

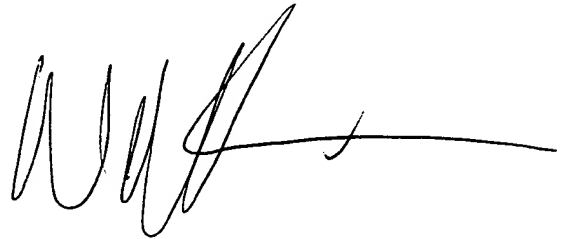
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mark A Mais whose telephone number is (571) 272-3138. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:00-4:30.

4. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wellington Chin can be reached on (571) 272-3134. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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December 14, 2004

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Furthermore, the amendment presents an argument that a computer 24, running an auto attendant, operating away from a communications network 50, does not constitute an auto attendant running on a second/centralized telecommunications network. Examiner respectfully disagrees for the reasons discussed in the Final Office Action, dated August 25, 2004, in *Response to Arguments*, paragraph 11. Accordingly, the Applicant is invited to file a Notice of Appeal; or an RCE in order for the examiner to consider newly proposed limitations.

Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The proposed amendment presents an auto attendant running on a second or centralized telecommunications system, wherein (1) the first telecommunications system and (2) the second/centralized communications system each perform specific processes. The currently pending claims in this application do not claim such a limitation, and thus, the addition of this limitation raises new issues that would require a new search.